

Provo River To Oquirrh— First U.S. Long Power Line



Some of the Nunn boys were alerted in their nightshirts for emergency.

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The first long distance, high tension electric transmission line in America stretched from Provo River, across Utah Lake and up the Oquirrh Mountains to the highrise mining town of Mercur.

It was 1897 when L. L. Nunn, an electric power engineer, designed and built the line. So remarkable was the accomplishment that Nunn and his brother, Paul N., were chosen to design and construct the famous Niagara Falls electric plant in 1904.

The trail of water-powered electric plants across the Mountain West was first envisioned by the Nunn brothers and their Telluride Power Co. By 1904, the company and its allied industries had six power stations and nearly 1,000 miles of line in Colorado, Utah and Montana.

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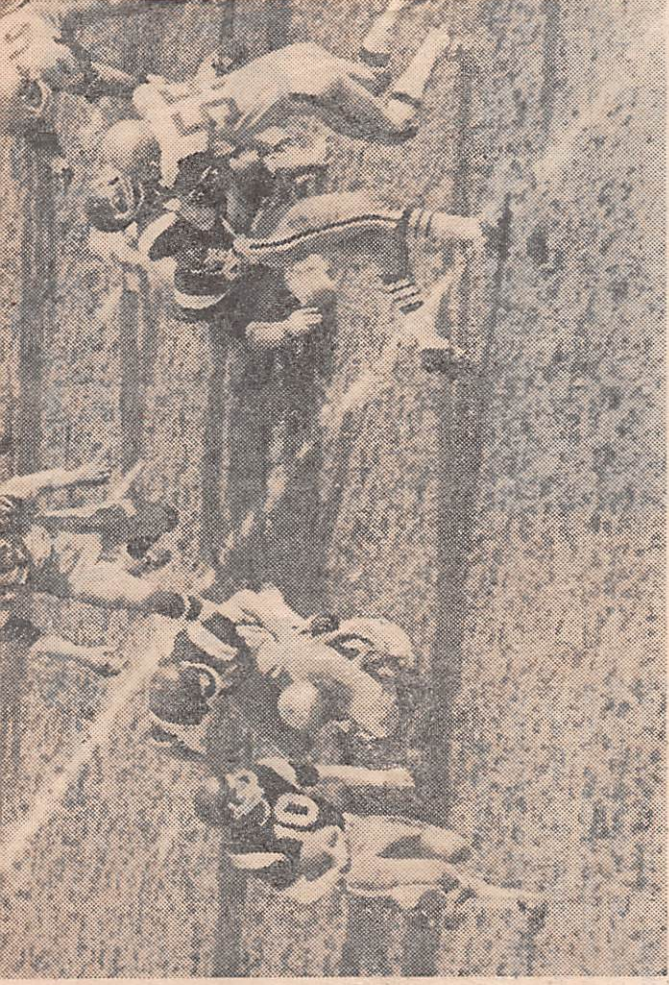
L. L. Nunn acquired from the federal government the right to use Bear Lake as a reservoir and built the power plant at Grace, Idaho. He organized the Beaver River

Power Company and built its two plants on the Beaver River in Southern Utah plus one on the Malad River in Idaho.

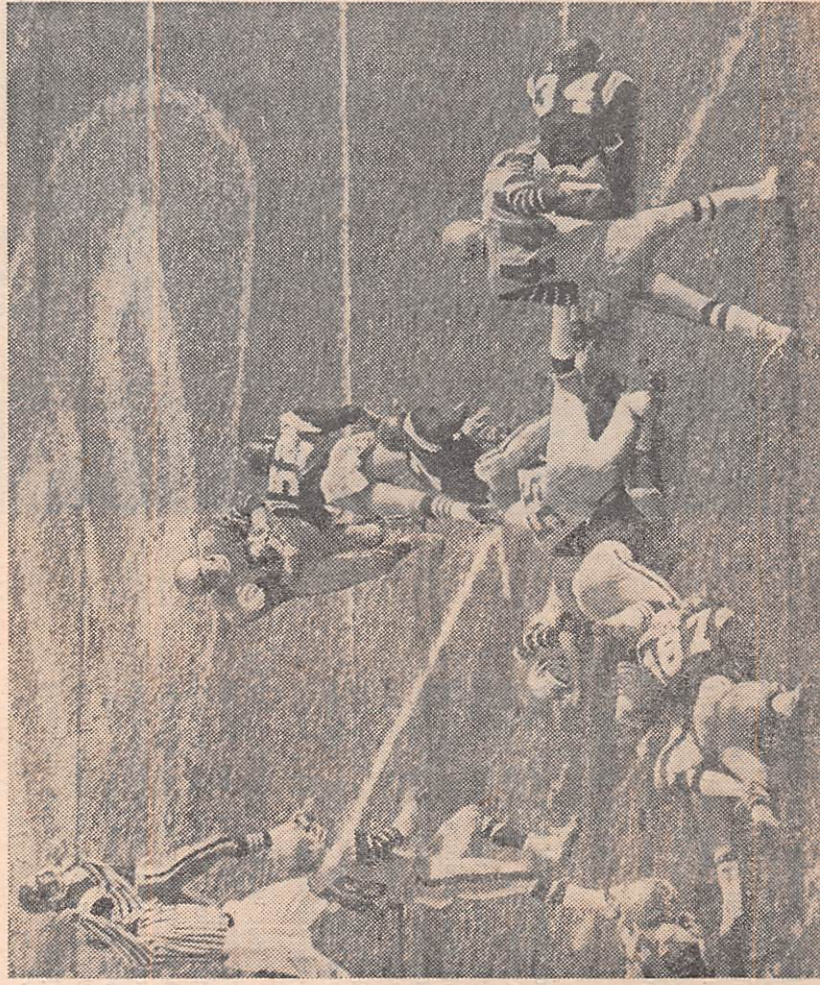
Of the historically famous experience at Provo, L. L. Nunn wrote, "Assured by the success of the original plant (in Colorado) we began as early as 1894 to seek for larger water-power sites and larger markets in the West. After long investigation, we decided to appropriate the waters of Provo River in Provo Canyon, Utah County.

TO MINE TOWNS

"Here we installed a temporary plant of 2,500 horsepower, under 125 feet head, transmitting current under 40,000 volts pressure to the De La Mar Golden Gate properties at Mercur, 35 miles distant . . . And later to Eure-



Layton quarterback Dick Strong (10) goes to six to set up TD.



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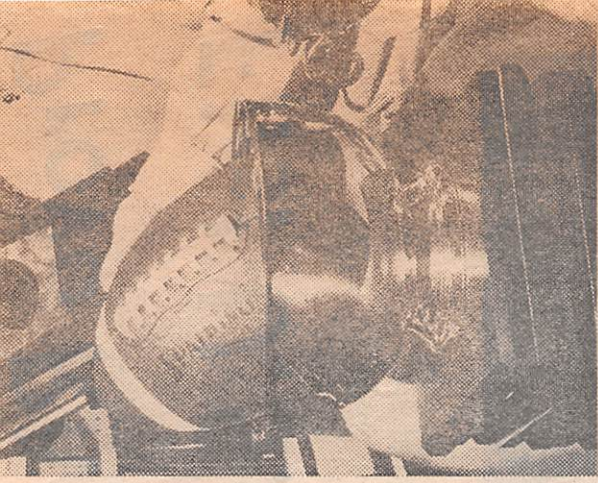
MARSHALL, ENGINEER

Marshall, behind all the excitement, was the field engineer and proved to be "Johnny on the Spot." He plucked off Layton q-back Dick Strong's first play of the game on the 23-yard line. He had his own pass intercepted by Hare on the goal line, but came right back and recovered Eckersley's fumble on the 11-yard line.

Three plays later, Marshall found his favorite target Lance Robbins for a seven-yard TD at 8:18. Skyline's extra point attempt almost proved to be its fate. Marshall pitched to Barton, who was stopped short by the tough Layton defense.

The Marshall-Robbins combo served notice again just before the half. The Eagles flew high with Steve's 57-yard TD toss to Lance at 1:02. Scott Pace booted the PAT.

Pace and Hinze put on a dazzling display of punting.



Pretty shopper shows some of the trophies given away at Deseret News Awards Monday.

Awards Dinner Set Monday

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The Deseret News-Wolfie's Sportsman Headquarters Banquet is slated for Monday 6 p.m. at the Fort Douglas Country Club to honor All-Staters and Prep of the Week winners.

Guest speaker will be Rex Berry, the former Brigham Young University and San Francisco 49er star, and Hack Miller Sports Editor of the Deseret News will handle the master of ceremonies chores.

College coaches: Bill Meek, Utah; Chuck Mills, Utah State; H. G. Linford, BYU; Bud Belnap, Weber State; Tom Kingsford, Southern Utah State College; Ron Nay, Westminster College; Bill

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